

# House Study Bill 164 - Introduced

HOUSE FILE \_\_\_\_\_  
BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON  
AGRICULTURE BILL BY  
CHAIRPERSON SWEENEY)

## A BILL FOR

1 An Act providing for services relating to livestock pregnancy,  
2 and including effective date provisions.  
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 169.3, Code 2011, is amended by adding  
2 the following new subsection:

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 5A. *"Embryo transfer services"* means  
4 providing any of the following:

5 a. The nonsurgical transfer or transplantation of fresh or  
6 frozen livestock embryos.

7 b. The nonsurgical collection of livestock embryos or  
8 oocytes.

9 Sec. 2. Section 169.4, Code 2011, is amended by adding the  
10 following new subsection:

11 NEW SUBSECTION. 16. a. A person certified by the board  
12 to provide embryo transfer services or pregnancy testing of  
13 livestock using ultrasound if the person acts under the direct  
14 or indirect supervision of a licensed veterinarian as provided  
15 by rules adopted by the board. A person certified to perform  
16 tasks listed in this paragraph shall be an employee of, or  
17 under a contract to, the supervising licensed veterinarian.  
18 A person certified by the board under this subsection is not  
19 required to be certified as a veterinary assistant pursuant to  
20 section 169.20.

21 b. The board shall formulate, adopt, or revise rules  
22 required to implement paragraph "a" in consultation with Iowa  
23 state university, the Iowa veterinary medical association, and  
24 the Iowa cattlemen's association.

25 Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE UPON ENACTMENT. This Act, being deemed of  
26 immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.

27 EXPLANATION

28 This bill authorizes a person to provide embryo transfer  
29 services or pregnancy testing of livestock using ultrasound  
30 under certain conditions. The person must be certified by the  
31 Iowa board of veterinary medicine, act under the direct or  
32 indirect supervision of a licensed veterinarian as provided  
33 by rules adopted by the board, and be an employee of, or  
34 under contract to, the supervising licensed veterinarian. In  
35 adopting its rules for certification, the board is required to

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1 consult with Iowa state university of science and technology,  
2 the Iowa veterinary medical association, and the Iowa  
3 cattlemen's association.  
4     The bill takes effect upon enactment.